THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) Instances of delay in disposal of applications received for conversion of leasehold tenure of land into freehold were brought to the notice of the Government.

(b) and (c) The position was reviewed from time to time and clarificatory instructions issued to lease administering authorities simplifying the procedure and also prescribing time frame at various levels for ensuring disposal of such applications within 3 months.

**Reduction of conversion charges**

5155. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 292 given in the Rajya Sabha on 18th March and state :

(a) whether it is a fact that a writ petition is pending in the Delhi High Court from residents Welfare Associations etc. for reduction of the conversion charges;

(b) if so, whether the last date for submitting applications for conversion will be extended till the High Court gives its judgement in the matter; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The Scheme of conversion being open ended and optional and there is no last date for submission of applications. However, as per the scheme the rates for conversion charges are to be notified from time to time. The present rates would continue upto 30-6-1994. Thereafter the rates would be revised upward by 25%.

**जामा मस्जिद फुटपाथ हाकरों का पुनर्वास**

5156. **श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ भीम अफजल** : क्या शहरी विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार द्वारा दो वर्ष बीत जाने के बाद भी जामा मस्जिद फुटपाथ हाकर्स संयुक्त समिति, दिल्ली को जगह आवंटित किए जाने के बारे में अब तक कोई निर्णय नहीं लिया गया है और यह लोग पिछले 18 वर्ष से मारे-मारे फिर रहे हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उन्हें वैकल्पिक जगह कब तक उपलब्ध करायी जाएगी; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

**शहरी विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. के थुंगन)** : (क) से (ग) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

RATIONALISATION OF JURISDICTION OF P&AO IN CPWD

5157. SHRI GAYA SINGH : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3474 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 24th December, 1993 and state :

(a) the name of the Divisions, Circles and Zones of the C.P.W.D. under the jurisdiction of each of the 8 pay and Accounts Offices ; and

(b) whether there is a proposal under Government's consideration to increase the number of Zonal Pay and Accounts Offices with a view to rationalise the jurisdiction of each P and A.O. and to retrieve equitable distribution of work among them ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) : (a) The number of Zones, Circles and Divisions of CPWD attached to each P&AO is given below :—